**DECLARATION - USA PATENT APPLICATION** 

As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

My residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name;

I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled <u>METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR FORMING A COATING ON OPTICAL FIBER</u>

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(c)		was described and claimed in PCT International Application No.	filed	on
(b)	X	was filed on June 20, 2001 as Application No. 09/886,411; or		
(a)	u	is attached hereto; or		

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above;

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to the patentability of this application in accordance with Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, § 1.56;

I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under Title 35, United States Code, § 119 of any foreign application(s) for patent, design or inventor's certificate or any PCT international application(s) listed below and have also identified below any foreign application(s) for patent, design or inventor's certificate or any PCT international application(s) designating at least one country other than the United States of America filed for the same subject matter having a filing date before that of the application(s) of which priority is claimed:

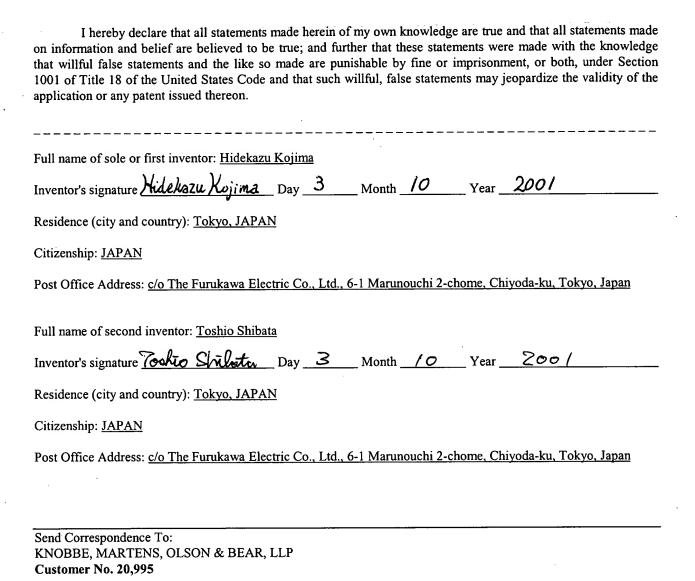
## PRIOR FOREIGN APPLICATION(S)

COUNTRY (OR INDICATE IF PCT)	APPLICATION NUMBER	DATE OF FILING (day, month, year)	PRIORITY CI UNDER 35 U.S	
JAPAN	2000/187251	22, June, 2000	X YES	NO 🗖
JAPAN	2001/145821	16, May, 2001	X YES	№ 🗖
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			☐ YES	NO 🗖
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I hereby claim the benefit under Title 35, United States Code, § 120 of any United States application(s) listed below, and insofar as the subject matter of each of the claims of this application is not disclosed in the prior United States application in the manner provided by the first paragraph of Title 35, United States Code § 112, I acknowledge the duty to disclose material information as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, § 1.56(a) which occurred between the filing date of the prior application and the national or PCT international filing date of this application:

Prior U.S.A.	Application(s)

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## **ASSIGNMENT**

WHEREAS, WE (1) Hidekazu Kojima, a Japanese citizen, residing in Tokyo, Japan and (2) Toshio Shibata, a Japanese citizen, residing in Tokyo, Japan, hereinafter referred to as Assignor (collectively if more than one inventor is listed above), have invented certain new and useful improvements in METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR FORMING A COATING ON OPTICAL FIBER, the specification of which:

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(a)	O	was executed on even date herewith;
(b)	x	was filed on June 20, 2001 as Application No. 09/886,411; or
(c)		was described and claimed in PCT International Application No filed on and as amended under PCT Article 19 on (if any) and/or under PCT Article 34 on (if any).
right, t	ne, Chiyoo	THEREAS, The Furukawa Electric Co., Ltd., with its principal place of business at 6-1, Marunouch da-ku, Tokyo 100-8322, Japan, (hereinafter referred to as Assignee) desires to acquire the entire atterest in and to the said improvements with respect to the United States of America, its territories
present assigns and un renewa and all hereby	vledged, As does he to the entire der said als and correissues authorizes provemen	THEREFORE, for good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which is hereby assignor hereby acknowledges that it has sold, assigned, transferred and set over, and by these reby sell, assign, transfer and set over, unto Assignee, its successors, legal representatives and e right, title, and interest in the United States of America, and its territories and possessions in, to improvements, and any Patent Applications in the United States of America and all divisions attinuations thereof, and all Patents of the United States of America which may be granted thereor and extensions thereof, and all rights of priority under International Conventions; and Assignor and requests the Commissioner of Patents of the United States of America to issue all Patents for its to Assignee, its successors, legal representatives and assigns, in accordance with the terms of this
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IN TES	TIMONY	WHEREOF, Assignor intending to be legally bound has hereunto affixed its signature.
This <u>t</u>	<u>uird</u> day	of October, 200/ Nidekazu Kojima Signature of Hidekazu Kojima
This#	ird day	of October, 2001 Toshio Shibata

Signature of Toshio Shibata